MATRIMONY. See Marriage. MATTER IN LAW. See Advancement of Justice, 1. MAYORS-COURT. See Annapolis, 20. Conveyan-MEASURES. See Standard, 4, MEETING-HOUSES. See Dissenters, 1. Quakers, 2, 5, 7.

MILITIA.

1. Every Colonel, Lieut. Colonel, Major, or Captain of Horse or Foot, commissioned by the Governor, shall have Power to inlist such and so many Inhabitants of this Province, (not hereafter excepted) in their several Divisions, between Sixteen and Sixty Years of Age, as they shall think fit, by as equal Proportions of the faid Inhabitants as they possibly can, to be of the Militia or Trained Bands of this Province: Whom they shall Muster and Train at such Times and Places as they shall think fit, and as the Service, &c. of the Province shall require; or, as the Governor, &c. shall see Cause to Order. 1715, ch. 43, §. 1.

2. Ministers, Delegates, Magistrates and Constables, are exempted (during their Office) from serving in the Militia. But fuch Exemption shall not extend to discharge such as have accepted any Military Commission from the Duties therein mentioned. Ibid. §. 5 and 6.

All Negroes and Slaves are exempted from Train-

ing or other Military Service. Ibid. §. 7.

4. No Servants shall be inlisted in the Militia, unless upon such Emergency as shall be judged proper by the

Field Officers of the County. 1733, ch. 7, §. 11. 5. No Member of his Lordship's Council, and of the Upper House of Assembly, shall be obliged to serve

in the Militia. Ibid. §. 15.

6. The Pay of the Militia, per Calendar Month, when on actual Service, and no longer, shall be as followeth; viz.

Horse. FOOT. 指 Tob. fb Tob. Majr Gen!. Chief Colonel, 2300 Commander in \ 3000 Lieut. Colonel, -1800 Major, 1500 the Field, -1300 Captain, Colonel, 2000 Lieut. Colonel, -Lieutenant, 1000 1500 900 Cornet, -Major, -1200 Q^r. Master, Corpo-Captain, - - -1000 ral and Trumpe- } Lieutenant, 700 700 600 ter, each, Enfign, Private Trooper, Serjeant, Corporal, - 600 Ibid. §. 9. and Drummer, } 400 each, Private Soldier, -300 1715, ch. 43, §. 8.

7. Whenever it shall appear necessary to the Governor and Council to raise Forces for suppressing any Foreign Invasion, or Domestic Insurrection or Rebellion, or any War with Indians, all necessary Charges of such War, and Soldiers Pay, as aforesaid, shall be paid by a Public Levy on the Taxables of this Province, by their Representatives in General Assembly, or out of the Public Treasure, and no otherwise. Ibid. §. 10.

8. All Soldiers employed in the Public Service shall

be paid in their own Counties. Ibid. §. 19.

9. The Booty, Prize, Pillage, or Plunder of any Indian, or other Prisoner in War, shall belong to the Officer or Soldier who shall seize the same. Ibid. §. 14.

10. Every Person adventuring his Life as a Soldier in any War, or Defence of the Province, and happening therein to be maimed, hurt, &c. shall receive a yearly Pension out of the Public Levy, during his Disability of getting a Livelihood. Ibid. §. 15.

11. The Widow of every Person slain in the Provincial Service, shall be allowed a competent Pension, during her Widowhood; and the Children till they be of Age to get their Living, or to be put out Apprentices: To be yearly paid out of the 50,000 to Tobacco to be raised as in this Act is provided. Ibid. See Small Provincial Charges.

12. Any Person (except as before excepted, Art. 3, 4, 5,) pressed or inlisted in this Province, who, upon any Foreign Invasion, shall (upon Command of his Officer, being a Captain at the least) obstinately refuse to serve in Arms for the Defence of the Province, shall, on Certificate of such Refusal, under such Officer's Hand, directed to the next Justice, be brought by Warrant of such Justice, before some Magistrate of the County, there to render sufficient Excuse for such Refusal. And, if the Magistrate shall not find such Excuse reasonable, he shall Commit such Person till he finds sufficient Security for his Appearance at the next Provincial Court; and, if convicted there, he shall be fined and imprisoned at the Discretion of that Court. Ibid. §. 16.

13. Any Colonel, Lieut. Colonel, or Major, Commissioned by the Governor, &c. or any Two or more of them, shall have the same Powers in the Execution of any Militia Laws, as the Colonel, &c. intended by those Laws: Provided the Number of such acting Officers be the same as directed by those Laws for such

Purpole. 1733, ch. 7, §. 2.

See Independent Companies. Musters. Press-Masters. Public Arms. Troopers. MILL-DAMS. See Water Mills, 6, 7. MILLERS. See Water Mills, 5. MILLS. See Water Mills, per Tot.

MINISTERS.

1. For the Encouragement of Faithful and Able Ministers to come and reside in the Province, a Tax of 40th Tobacco, per Poll, (but see below, Art. 9,) shall annually be levied on every Taxable Person in each Parish, and paid to the Minister (having no other Benefice to officiate in) presented, inducted, or appointed by the Governor or Commander in Chief. 1702, ch. 1,

2. The Minister shall keep a Parish Clerk, and pay

fuch Clerk 1000 th Tobacco yearly. Ibid.

3. The Sheriff shall collect the 40 per Poll, in the fame Manner, and by the fame Authority as the Public and County Levies are collected; and shall pay the same to the Incumbent of each Parish. Ibid. §. 6. And shall have 5 per Cent for collecting. 1715, ch. 24, §. 4. See below, Art. 9.

4. No Minister shall hold more than Two Parishes; nor Two, unless by Consent and Agreement of both Vestries, and Appointment of the Ordinary. 1702,

ch. 1. §. 16.

5. The Minister of any Parish, (in the first Year of his Admission) shall be allowed only such Part of the 40 per Poll, as shall be due from the Day of his Induction to the Time of laying the next County Levy. 1713, ch. 10, §. 4.

6. On Removal, or Death, the Incumbent shall have fuch Part of the 40 per Poll as shall be due, from the last Levy, to the Day of such Removal or Death.

7. If fuch Incumbent Die, or be Removed within the First Year, then he shall be entitled to such Part of the 40 per Poll, as shall be due from the Day of his Admission to the Day of such Death or Removal.

8. Every Minister in this Province shall read the Act to punish Blasphemers, Cursers, &c. Four Times a Year; viz. On some Sunday in March, June, September and December, in their respective Parish Churches, between Divine Service and Sermon, on Forfeiture of 1000 th Tobacco for every Omission: One Half to the Use of the County, the other Half to the Person suing for the same. All Prosecutions for not Reading this Act shall be commenced within Six Months after such Omission. 1723, ch. 16, §. 12 and 13.

9. Instead of the 40 per Poll allowed the Clergy, (see Art. 1,) there shall be Levied no more than 30 per Poll on the Taxable Inhabitants of their respective Parishes; which shall be Paid in Inspectors Notes, &c.